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MEMORANDUM FOR: General Counsel

SUBJECT : The Need for Secrecy Legislation

1. I am assembling DCI comments on recommendations of the Murphy Commission which he is to submit to the NSC Staff Secretary. Due date for the assembled and coordinated comments to be ready for DCI review is close of business Thursday, 17 July.

2. Mr. Colby said today that he would like to include comments on the need for secrecy legislation.

3. This can be included as a comment on recommendation 173 which relates primarily to legislation "establishing a comprehensive system of classification" for which one of the proposed guidelines is:

"e. The application of specified sanctions to persons violating the terms of the system, including criminal penalties for the unauthorized release of properly classified information, and significant administrative sanctions applicable to over classification."

4. It is requested your office provide me a page or so comment on this subject, unclassified, if possible, by close of business on Wednesday, 16 July.

/s/

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